



ABSTRACT

The invention relates to a process for the preparation of a

5 enantiomerically enriched β^2 -amino acid comprising the steps of reacting a stereoselective hydrolytic enzyme with a mixture of enantiomers of a β^2 -amino acid ester and collecting the resulting enantiomerically enriched β^2 -amino acid. The invention also relates to a process for the preparation of an enantiomerically enriched β^2 -amino acid ester comprising the steps of reacting a stereoselective hydrolytic

10 enzyme with a mixture of enantiomers of a β^2 -amino acid ester and collecting remaining enantiomerically enriched β^2 -amino acid ester.